



St. A's Update

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IMPORTANT DATES: _____

**Friday, Jan. 18:
Early Dismissal
(11:30 AM) Faculty
Re-accreditation
Meetings.**

**Monday, Jan. 21:
NO SCHOOL:
Martin Luther King
Day.**

**Tuesday, Jan. 22:
Mid-Term Exams
continue through
Thursday, Jan. 24.**

**Week of Jan. 27:
Report Cards for
2nd Marking Period
sent home.**

**Sunday, Jan. 27:
Catholic Schools
Week (CSW)
begins.**

**Sunday, Jan. 27:
11:30 AM
Open House for
Prospective
Students for 2008.**

**Friday, Feb. 1:
First Friday Mass
9:00 AM School
Assembly 1:30**

**Friday, Feb 8:
Diocesan "Child
Lures" program
presented in all
classes.**

Dear Moms and Dads:

Reminder: Friday, January 18th, we will have an early dismissal. Students will be dismissed at 11:30 AM. There will be buses but no lunch. The faculty will be working on our self study for the NEASC re-accreditation

We will have an Open House on Sunday, January 27, 2008 for prospective families who are interested in applying for admission to St. Aloysius School. If you know of anyone (friends or neighbors) who might be interested in learning about our school, please tell them about our open house.

We celebrate **Catholic Schools Week** from Sunday, **January 27th through Friday, February 1st.**

Monday will be "School Spirit Day" and students may wear appropriate clothing showing our school colors.

Tuesday is "Visiting Day" from 10:00 AM until 11:00 AM: Grandparents and other special adults (special to your child) are welcome to visit the school and classrooms.

Wednesday is "Teacher Luncheon Day," provided by the Home School Association for our teachers and staff.

Thursday is "Original Hat Day" with prizes for the best hats in different categories in each class.

Friday we will have a School-wide Mass for First Friday at 9:00 AM and a "Performing Arts Production" in an Assembly at 1:30 PM. All parents are welcome to both.

Mid-term examinations for the 6th, 7th and 8th grades will continue on Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday (Jan. 22nd, 23rd and 24th). Report Cards will be issued the week of January 28th. The first semester officially ends on January 23rd.

Monday, January 21, 2008 is Martin Luther King Day. School will be closed.

Have a good weekend.

Very truly yours,

Dr. Donald A. Howard
Principal

COMING SOON TO ST. ALOYSIUS SCHOOL...

MOVIE and a MAKEOVER

FRIDAY FEBRUARY 1ST

5:30-8:30 PM

That's a "MOVIE" for the kids
And a MAKEOVER for our school!
Only two weeks away!!!

ABOUT THE MOVIE:

- POPCORN, LEMONADE, AND MOVIES are FREE!
- PIZZA WILL BE SOLD BY THE SLICE
- BABYSITTING by YOUR FAVORITE 7th and 8th graders in the Gymnasium (Students: Earn Your Community Service Hours!)

ABOUT THE MAKEOVER:

Parent Crews Working on Projects such as

- Faculty Lounge Makeover
- Administration Room Makeover
- Computer Room Makeover
- Upper School Locker Painting
- Upper School Lavatories Painting
- Balcony Clean Sweep
- Stage Organization and Cleaning

Can't make it? Donate Supplies or Cash! Or save the date for our Next Day of Caring on Saturday March 29th.

The list can include anything YOU want to add... bothered by something in the school that you would like to fix, paint, clean, or replace? Let us know - we would love to add your ideas and help to our list! We will even get the supplies and some helpers for you.

JOIN THESE FABULOUS AND FUNTASTIC FAMILIES who have already volunteered their time, student babysitters, or funds to help this project:

Connolly, Kiesling, O'Neill, Engel, DeSantis, McElaney, McPeake, McAndrew, Molloy, Hilton, Skroly, AND THE LIST KEEPS GROWING!

*Email Gretchen Gertsen at ggertsen@mac.com with your interest
or look for the sign-up boards outside the office.*

Bulldogs Sports News

Upcoming Games.....

BOYS JV Basketball

Thursday Jan 17th away at Ridgefield Academy

Thursday Jan 24th HOME 3:45pm against *King and Low-Heywood Thomas*

BOYS Varsity Basketball

Wed. Jan 23rd AWAY 3:30 at Unquowa

GIRLS JV Basketball

Wed. Jan 23rd AWAY 3.15 Convent of Sacred Heart

GIRLS Varsity Basketball

Thursday Jan 17th Away 3:30 Holy Child

Thursday Jan 24th Away 3:30 at Greens Farm Academy

SEE YOU THERE!

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St. A's School Spirit Day

Monday, January 28th we will be celebrating school spirit day. All students will have the priviledge of wearing blue and gold clothing. Jeans are permitted if they are in presentable and in good taste. The children are asked to bring in \$1 to be donated to help a parish in India build a new school.

Thank you, Mrs. Crispi

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Minutes from Friday January 11th HSA Meeting

- We are still looking for volunteers for the Sunday Jan 20th Mass speakers at St. Aloysius, St. Johns and St Thomas Moore. Please contact Colette Polley
- Still looking for volunteers for teacher appreciation day. Need parents to help out in classrooms during the 11.30-12.30 lunch. Also looking for dessert and beverages. Please contact Colette Polley and Janice Kosinski.
- Keep an eye out for the announcement of the school show on Friday Feb 1st at around 1.45 PM.
- Winter Ball is March 8th. Save the date “Theme is Unity of Purpose - Growing our Children’s Faith.” Still seeking volunteers. Please contact Melissa Engel
- Brick sales are going strong. Look out for another chance to order bricks. Another install date is April 1st. So far \$45,000 worth of bricks have been sold.
- Enrollment at St Aloysius is up to 200 students. We are expecting one more possible student in the future.
- Computer news: There will be an additional 35 laptops and 1 more cart for the lower school coming. All of the old PC’s have been removed as they were not upgradeable or functioning properly.
- Heating problems have been resolved. With all new valves and new motors.
- The parish has replaced the bathroom sinks and new stalls are coming.
- Remember to follow New Canaan school postings for closings due to inclement weather. You can also call 594-4000 for more info etc.
- The 6th Grade classroom will be getting a new science lab table which will consist of a deep sink and water lines (no gas lines due to safety concerns).

Keep an eye out for Future HSA meeting dates. Parent participation is a must!
Thank you